Request for Expedited Procedure
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In re Patent Application of:

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2004, please reconsider the above-identified U.S. patent application amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

_____ If checked, Small Entity status is claimed

	No. Claims After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For		Extra Present		Rate	Additional Fee
Total	15	MINUS	20**	=	0	X		$
Indep.	1	MINUS	3**	=	0	X		$
First presentation of multiple dependent claim(s)						X		$
TOTAL								$ -0-

* not less than 20   ** not less than 3

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CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2215.

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